

Bayley-Hazen Rehabilitation and Recovery Center ... at the Lakeview Lodge

Program Description:

The Bayley-Hazen Rehabilitation and Recovery Center is a specialized residential treatment center, which will offer safe intensive recovery based treatment for 11 adult men and women. This program is designed for individuals who are transitioning out of the Vermont State Hospital or other full care psychiatric facility, who, have stabilized sufficiently and can begin their journey of recovery. The Bayley-Hazen Center is a place of hope and possibility, using a myriad of treatment options determined by the collective wisdom of the consumer, consumer advocates, clinical team, and family members. The program is a voluntary treatment facility where treatment is a process of collaboration not compliance and coercion. Treatment will include relationship building, self care, healing and redefining of self, medication management where applicable, vocational and recreational electives and preparatory practices aimed at transitioning the individuals back to their chosen communities. The Bayley-Hazen Center is a "wellness" oriented program and will offer a full compliment of services including primary care and substance abuse treatment as necessary.

The Bayley-Hazen Rehabilitation and Recovery Center offers an aesthetic environment rich in natural beauty and as comfortable as a "country inn." Both staff and consumers will benefit from this unique facility. Our philosophy of treatment is based on respect and human dignity, consumer empowerment, family involvement, instilling hope, motivation and a belief in our consumers that they can recover from their life disrupting psychiatric challenges.

This project is proposed by Northeast Kingdom Human Services: NKHS is a non-profit community based organization that is designated by the State of Vermont to provide

services to adults and children with mental illness, substance abuse, and developmental disabilities in Orleans, Essex and Caledonia counties. Community members and the individuals and family members who receive care govern NKHS. The organization employs approximately 450 individuals in the three county area. NKHS receives its support from state and federal governments, fees for care, and direct support from the towns in the three county region. Questions regarding the development of this project can be directed to Cathy Rousse, Director of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services at 748-3181 or Eric



Our Mission: Overall the new Bayley-Hazen Rehabilitation and Recovery Center is dedicated to provide its residents with a safe, comfortable, healthy living environment within the context of an empathic, hopeful, continuous and integrated relationship of therapeutic services and caring providers. Our hope is that residents will transition from this program engaged in their own recovery, able to make better choices, have a healthier outlook and seek a safe and sober life style.

Did you know that:

- Approximately one in five individuals suffers from some form of mental illness.
- Mental illness in it's most severe form is a real biologically based disease that at times can be viewed with brain imaging or other medical tests.
- Mental illnesses in many cases can be diagnosed like a heart condition, can be treated like an infection, can be relieved like an inflammation, and can be managed like diabetes.
- Some of the most significant issues facing individuals with mental illness are those of discrimination, stigmatizing, lack of appropriate housing, and the struggle to maintain even the most basic tasks of everyday living.
- That about thirty years ago a number of Greensboro and Hardwick citizens opened their homes to former state hospital residents in the first stages of societies efforts to return the mentally ill to their home communities.

Some Specifics About the Project:

- The program will have over 25 staff who will be recruited from the professional community and the workforce in the surrounding area.
- There will be a full time psychiatrist and medical services will be contracted from the surrounding area.
- Current plans are for full time nurses and essentially a two staff to one client support ratio.
- We plan to continue to pay our taxes, shop locally, and as with our other projects, contribute to the community as a good neighbor and community partner.
- We plan to change little on the property and essentially the exterior will remain the same. The beauty of the interior is integral to an environment conducive to hope and care and it will be preserved except for handicapped and fire safety accommodations.
- Confidentiality is at the core of what we are about and client health care information is protected by us and federal law. As with our other services this results in a quiet personal atmosphere. We can, however introduce ourselves, share who we are and what we are about and more importantly we invite community interest and participation.

Dedicated to compassionate, confidential, and individualized care.

